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For:

IRON SULFIDES, PROCESSES FOR PRODUCING THE SAME, IRON SULFIDE

MIXTURE, HEAVY METAL TREATING AGENT, AND METHOD OF TREATING

WITH THE AGENT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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